AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please make the following amendments to the specification.

Please replace paragraph [0268] with the following paragraph:

Fig. 25A, 25B, and 25C are schematic diagrams which, when taken together, represent methods designing primers to identify specific hairpin oligonucleotides in accordance with a preferred embodiment of the present invention. Fig. 25D is a table of exemplary specific hairpin oligonucleotides identified and sequenced by the specific primers designed and used under the methods of Fig. 25A, 25B, and 25C.

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